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There is increasing agitation over the question of railway development in Manchuria and Manchuria, and the objection to the Japanese plan for the construction by China of the Chinese Aigun railway, under a contract with Messrs. Pauling & Co. of Frankfurt, which would cause the expenditure of \$2,500,000 in this country, says the London Standard. The China Association hopes, by continuing to take a strong action in the matter, to change the attitude of the British Government, which is now supporting the contention of the two foreign powers.

The association argues that should the proposed line be prevented by Russia and Japan this would exclude British contractors and railway building which China may intend in the future.

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port of these objections is the Government's approval of any convention agreement or treaty, which it is not prepared to do unless it necessarily secures British interests. It is also necessary to shut the doors of a growing and important market to British trade for the good of all.

2. The amplification of this by the contractors is a serious matter, and it is not a matter of Anglo-Japanese Agreement of August 1905.

Preamble.—(b) The preservation of the common interests of all Powers of the East, and maintaining the independence and integrity of the Empire of China, and the principle of equal opportunities for the commerce and industry of all nations in China.

Treaty of Portsmouth.

Article III.—Japan and Russia, mutually agree to the following:

1. To evacuate completely and simultaneously Manchuria, except the Liautung territory, and to restore the Liautung Peninsula, in conformity with the provisions of additional Article I.
2. To restore entirely and completely

The Imperial government of Russia has not had any intention of depriving Manchuria any territorial advantages or imperial or exclusive concessions in any important or sensitive territory, or inconsistent with the principle of equality.

Article I in the Supplementary Agreement annexed to the treaty, to which reference is made in the above paragraph, stipulates that neither of the military forces of both Powers in Manchuria, which was to be completed in 1905, was to be employed against high contracting parties reserved the right to maintain a number of guards of not more than 15 kilometers for the protection of the frontier.

It is interesting in this connection to note that out of \$14,000,000 spent in Manchurian reconstruction by Messrs. Paulsen & Co., Ltd., of London, 10,000 miles was not equipped with British-made arms.

WILL IDENTIFY PRISONER

provincial Police Take Steps To Ascertain Identity of Man Believed to Be Haney

Identification of the prisoner now held at Dillon was made by officers of the provincial police who believed it to be Will Haney, the train robber.

P. R. express train, held up on the coast last year, and Isaac Decker and his brother, John, were shot and killed by the police.

Haney's brother was shot by Decker, while John, who, without the aid of Haney, who is personally acquainted with Haney when the latter was serving time in California has been sent to Dillon to make a personal inspection of the prisoner.

In view of the fact that the Dillon authorities are anxious to identify him after his attempt to hold up the San Joaquin Bank at Dillon in broad daylight, they will try to trace the

provincial authorities will secure presentation of Haney should the prisoner at Dillon prove to be the slayer of Crocker. If the Montana authorities are a good case against the prisoner, the case will be sent to a long term, which event, the provincial authorities would have to wait. But if the American authorities are the trigger for bank robbery is not a strong case, it is possible that the Montana authorities will not return the prisoner to their prisoner to the provincial authorities. In any event, extradition proceedings will be initiated. Those proceedings will be initiated by the provincial authorities as it is hardly possible that the prisoner be he, Haney, would consent to return to the United States voluntarily to face a charge of murder.

One thousand boxes of strawberries were shipped to Vancouver from Prince Rupert recently.

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